

INCIDENT:

OTCW Oil to Lake Michigan

Proposed submerged oil sampling plan

Objectives

Determine the presence or absence of submerged oil in spill area (cove).

Methodology:

- The presence (or absence) of submerged oil would be determined using two teams: one working from the shoreline using waders and one working offshore from a boat.
- Each team would have representatives from EPA, USCG and BP.
- Presence (or absence) of oil would be determined by dropping absorbents attached to a rake or
 to a chain at the bottom of the lake. The team would evaluate presence/absence of oil once
 absorbents are brought back to the surface.
- Sampling would be done at the intersection of pre-determined transects. (See proposed grid below). This would provide 21 sampling points.

Sampling grid:

